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In re Application of : Fred Fensel et al

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 (Canceled).

19. (New) A roofing membrane having an upper and lower surface and comprising a fleece or mat like reinforcing material at least partially embedded by a continuous matrix of bitumen modified by addition of a modifying polymer, said bitumen includes a material selected from the